

RAECO Award to Monash

THE inaugural RAECO preservation award at Monash has been made to David Coxsedg. The award is given for excellence in the 'Preservation of Library and Archival Materials' elective course offered in Monash's Graduate Department of Librarianship, Archives and Records. It is valued at \$200, consisting of \$50 cash plus conservation products to the value of \$150 selected from the RAECO range.

The award was presented by Sue Noble, Technology Manager for RAECO, at the Department's Alumni annual research seminar, held in Melbourne on 1 August.

David Coxsedg is student in the Master of Arts (Librarianship) degree at Monash. His scientific background provided his study in the preservation elective with an authoritative touch, particularly notable in his essay on preventing mould and mildew growth in libraries.

Ross Harvey, Senior Lecturer ■

1992 Children's Book of The Year

Book of The Year, Older Readers

The House Guest by Eleanor Nilsson (Viking)

Honour Books

Change the Locks by Simon French (Ashton Scholastic)

Peter by Kate Walker (Omnibus Books)

Book of The Year, Younger Readers

The Magnificent Nose & Other Marvels by Anna Fienberg, illus by Kim Gamble (Allen & Unwin)

Honour Book

Misery Guts by Morris Gleitzman (Pan Aust)

Picture Book of The Year

Window by Jeannie Baker (Julie MacRae Books)

Honour Books

William Tell by Margaret Early (Walter McVitty Books)

Hist! by C.J. Dennis, illus by Peter Gouldthorpe (Walter McVitty Books) ■

1992 NSW State Awards

Minister for the Arts Peter Collins announced the winners of the New South Wales State Literary Awards for 1992 at a presentation function held at the State Library. Mr Collins noted that the overall standard of work suggests that writing and publishing in Australia continue to flourish. They do so in a less favourable economic climate: dollars may be in short supply, but writers continue to write and readers to buy their books. In our cultural life at least, we are still capable of entering into a civilised contract.

The winners of the 1992 State Literary Awards are:

1992 Book of the Year (supplementary medal and \$2000)

Elizabeth Riddell *Selected Poems* Collins Angus and Robertson

The Christina Stead Prize for fiction (\$15 000)

Simon Leys *The Death of Napoleon* Allen and Unwin

The Douglas Stewart Prize for non-fiction (\$15 000)

David Marr *Patrick White* Random Century Australia

The Kenneth Slessor Prize for poetry (\$10 000)

Elizabeth Riddell *Selected Poems* Collins Angus and Robertson

Children's Book Award (\$10 000)

Robin Klein *All in the Blue* Penguin Books Australia

Unclouded Weather

Script Writing Award (\$10 000)

Marc Rosenberg *Dingo* Gevest; Currency Press

Play Award (\$10 000)

Louis Nowra *Cosi* Currency Press; Belvoir Street Theatre

Ethnic Affairs Commission Award (\$5 000)

Andrew Riemer *Inside Outside* Collins Angus and Robertson

Special Award (\$5 000)

Ronald McCuaig

The Special Award in 1992 recognises an outstanding contribution to Australian Literature. As a poet in the 1930s, Ronald McCuaig was a forerunner of modern poetry in Australia. As fiction editor for the Bulletin, McCuaig discovered and encouraged many now famous Australian writers.

Writer's Fellowship (\$10 000)

Fiona Place

Ms Place will use the Fellowship to investigate the nature of the travel-writing genre.

1992 Woodrow Librarianship Awards

**Charles Emerton
announces the three
winners**

ON THURSDAY 20 August 1992, the City of Waverley hosted the annual presentation of the Thomas H Woodrow Memorial Trust Awards at the Waverley City Gallery, Wheelers Hill.

These Awards were established to recognise the outstanding contribution made by the late Tom Woodrow to public library service in Camberwell and Waverley. They are made on an annual basis to outstanding students of librarianship at Ballarat University College, RMIT, and the Institute of Education of the University of Melbourne.

The 1992 Awards were as follows:

First Prize of \$2000 and Inscribed Medallion

Ms Margarita Kumnick,
Graduate Diploma Student,
Ballarat University College

Second Prize of \$1750 and Inscribed Medallion

Ms Rhonda Rathjen, Third Year
Undergraduate Student, RMIT

Third Prize of \$1500 and Inscribed Medallion

Ms Kerri Pleydell, Third Year
Undergraduate Student,
Institute of Education,
University of Melbourne

The Award function was the occasion for an address by Lynne Williams from the Australian Children's Television Foundation, who spoke about the role that well-thought-out television programs can play in children's development. She showed increasing links between quality children's television and associated quality print material. She spoke about when the TV should be on and when it should be off.

Complementing the Award presentation function was the Waverley City Gallery's exhibition 'Ron Brooks and Jeff Fisher: Two Illustrators'—the art of children's book illustrations and of book jacket and magazine design. These issues are intertwined with the use of leisure and information materials and their provision to children and adults through public libraries. ■